

# Objectives Agricultural Development Office Calendar Year 2003

1. **Purchase of Development Rights Program** – To enhance the viability of farming and maintain the critical landmass necessary to secure a viable farming infrastructure.
2. **HomeGrown Dinner** – August 23? To promote and educate the community on locally grown food and food products.
3. **Small Farm Festival** – May 17-18 to promote and market animals, plants, food, and agricultural and food products available from the area.
4. **Fauquier County Fair** – July 17-20 to assist with Fair – sponsorship guide, Promote FauquierAg.com and Farm Product Directory. Support the Equipment Auction – March 29 by assisting the Fauquier Fair Board in holding a successful fundraiser.
5. **Farm Product Directory** – publish directory (March – April) To promote products and services available in Fauquier.
6. **Fall Farm Tour** – September 20-21 to promote and educate the citizens of Fauquier and surrounding counties of Fauquier farms and farming practices and their value to Fauquier.
7. **Library Display of Agricultural Activities** – To promote and educate library patrons on various agricultural activities conducted in Fauquier throughout the year.
8. **Commodity focus – Forest Products** – Promote the Forest and Forest Products industry of Fauquier to increase the economic viability of farming and advise the Board of Supervisors on matters affecting the Forest economy and its development.
9. **Meat Processing Facility** – To foster and promote commercial investment in agricultural integration (value added facilities). Assist in moving project through the approval process; promote the opening and use of the facility.
10. **Conduct Surveys** - to determine the effectiveness of Ag Development programs surveys of vendors and participants of major events supported by the Ag Development Office will be conducted.
11. **Guest Speaker** – at each Ag Advisory Committee meeting to educate members on various facets of the Agricultural Industry and community.
12. **Zoning Ordinance** – provide Planning Commission and Community Development assistance with Ag friendly zoning ordinance.